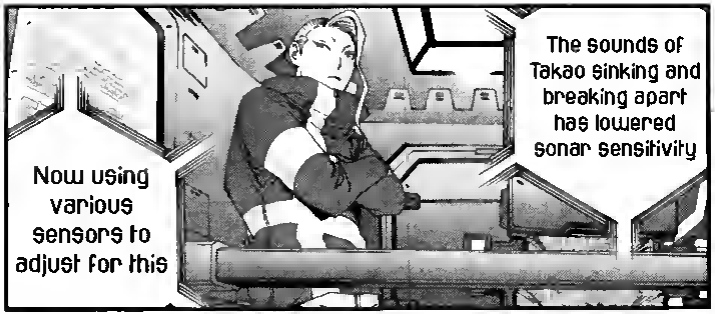
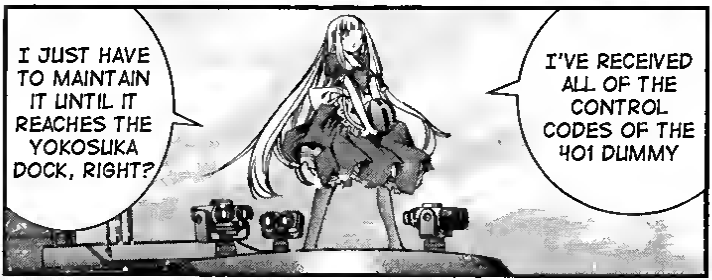
"Takao" is sinking
Detecting faint traces of gravitons
Depth:040
Ark Performance


The sounds of Takao sinking and breaking apart has lowered sonar sensitivity
Now using various sensors to adjust for this

WE'RE GOING TO DESTROY HER CORE
TIME TO FINISH HER OFF

The signals are coming from the Mental Model
DATA MATRIX
beep
beep
This is Takao's data matrix

DATA INPUT COMPLETE
AIM ALL TORPEDOES AT THE MENTAL MODEL

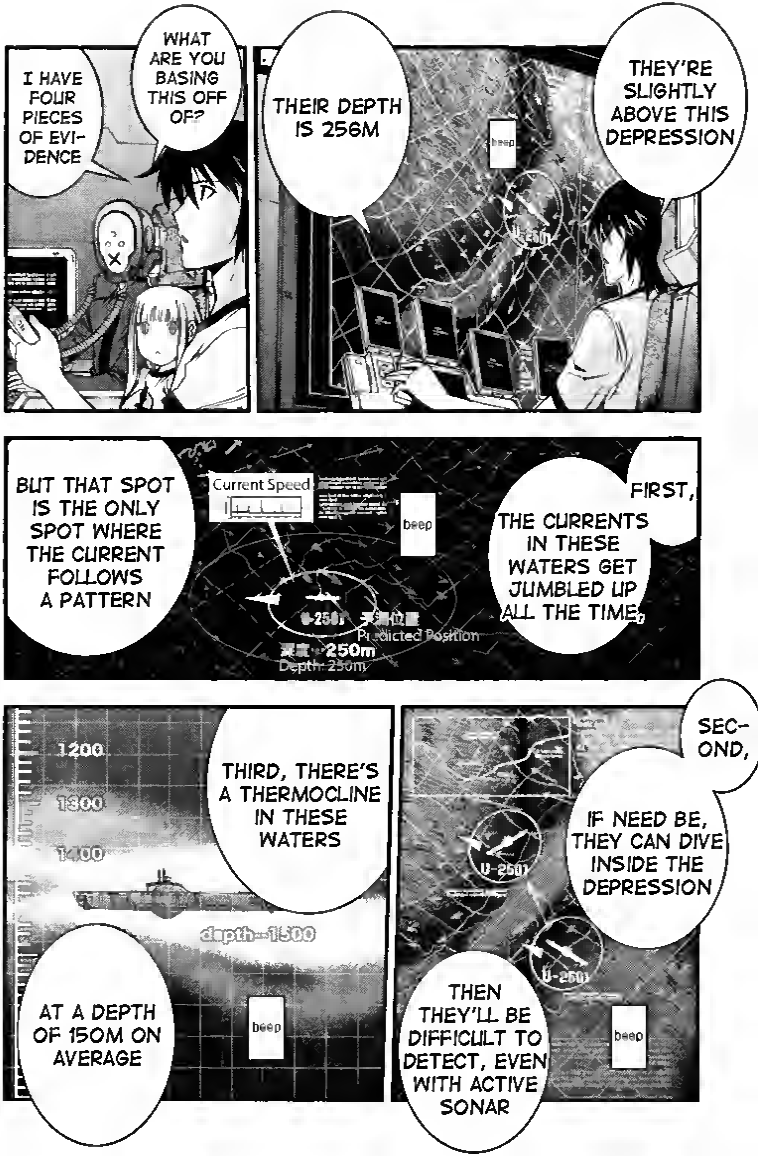

I JUST HAVE TO MAINTAIN IT UNTIL IT REACHES THE YOKOSUKA DOCK, RIGHT?
I'VE RECEIVED ALL OF THE CONTROL CODES OF THE 401 DUMMY

UNDERSTOOD... THEN I'LL SEE TO IT THAT THE DUMMY GETS TO THE UNDER-GROUND DOCKS
YEAH. MATCH THE CONTROLS OF THE CREW MEMBERS INSIDE

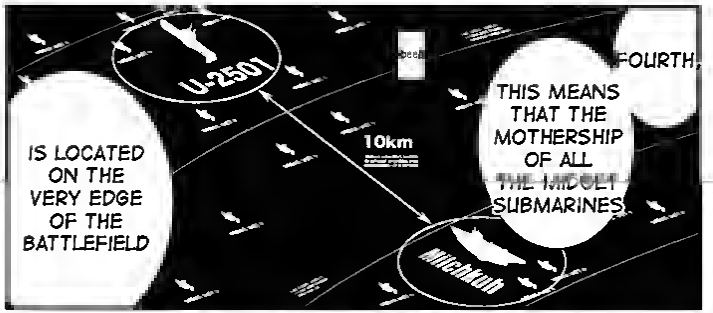
HERE IT COMES!

YOU SURE ARE A TOUGH ONE...
JEEZ...
IT'S OVER, HUH...
All torpedoes have detonated Takao is now breaking apart

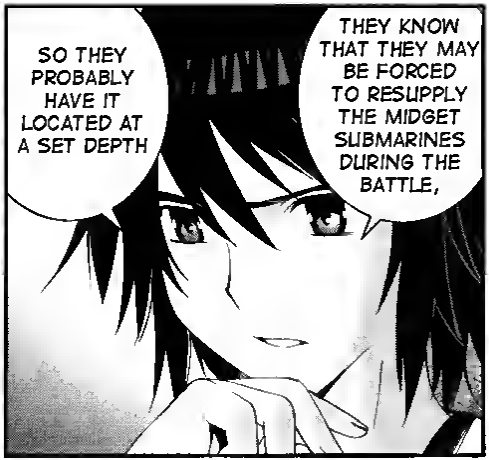
ORDER THE "SEEHUND" TO FORM A RING AROUND US
AYE AYE
OPERATION COMPLETE
HERE
YOU FOUND THEM?
OH
beep
beep
beep


I HAVE FOUR PIECES OF EVIDENCE
WHAT ARE YOU BASING THIS OFF OF?
THEIR DEPTH IS 256M
beep
THEY'RE SLIGHTLY ABOVE THIS DEPRESSION
BUT THAT SPOT IS THE ONLY SPOT WHERE THE CURRENT FOLLOWS A PATTERN
Current Speed
beep
U-250
Predicted Position
Depth: 250m
FIRST,
THE CURRENTS IN THESE WATERS GET JUMBLED UP ALL THE TIME
1200
1300
1400
THIRD, THERE'S A THERMOCLINE IN THESE WATERS
depth--1500
AT A DEPTH OF 150M ON AVERAGE
beep
U-250
U-250
SECOND,
IF NEED BE, THEY CAN DIVE INSIDE THE DEPRESSION
THEN THEY'LL BE DIFFICULT TO DETECT, EVEN WITH ACTIVE SONAR
beep

IF THEY DON'T WANT SOMEONE TO DETECT THEM BY CHANCE,
THEY'D WANT TO BE AS DEEP AS POSSIBLE

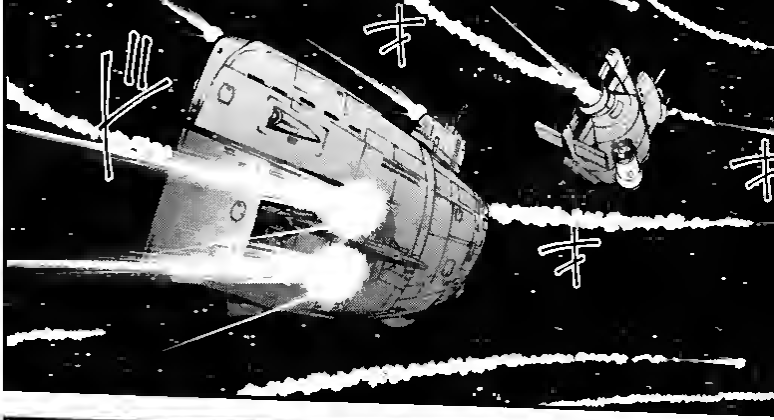

U-2501
10km
Mitchkab
FOURTH,
THIS MEANS THAT THE MOTHERSHIP OF ALL THE MIDGET SUBMARINES
IS LOCATED ON THE VERY EDGE OF THE BATTLEFIELD

I SEE...
...SO YOU'RE AIMING FOR

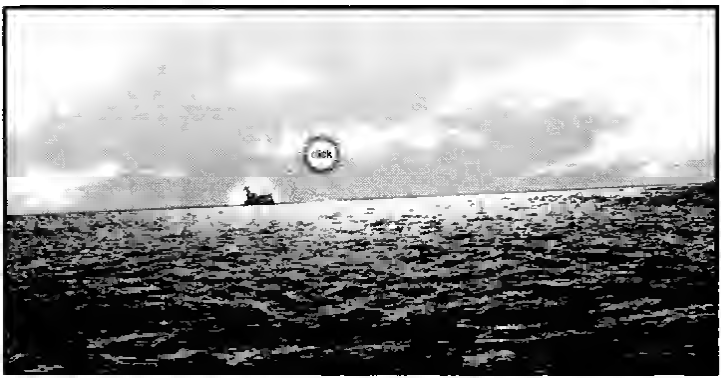

THEY KNOW THAT THEY MAY BE FORCED TO RESUPPLY THE MIDGET SUBMARINES DURING THE BATTLE,
SO THEY PROBABLY HAVE IT LOCATED AT A SET DEPTH

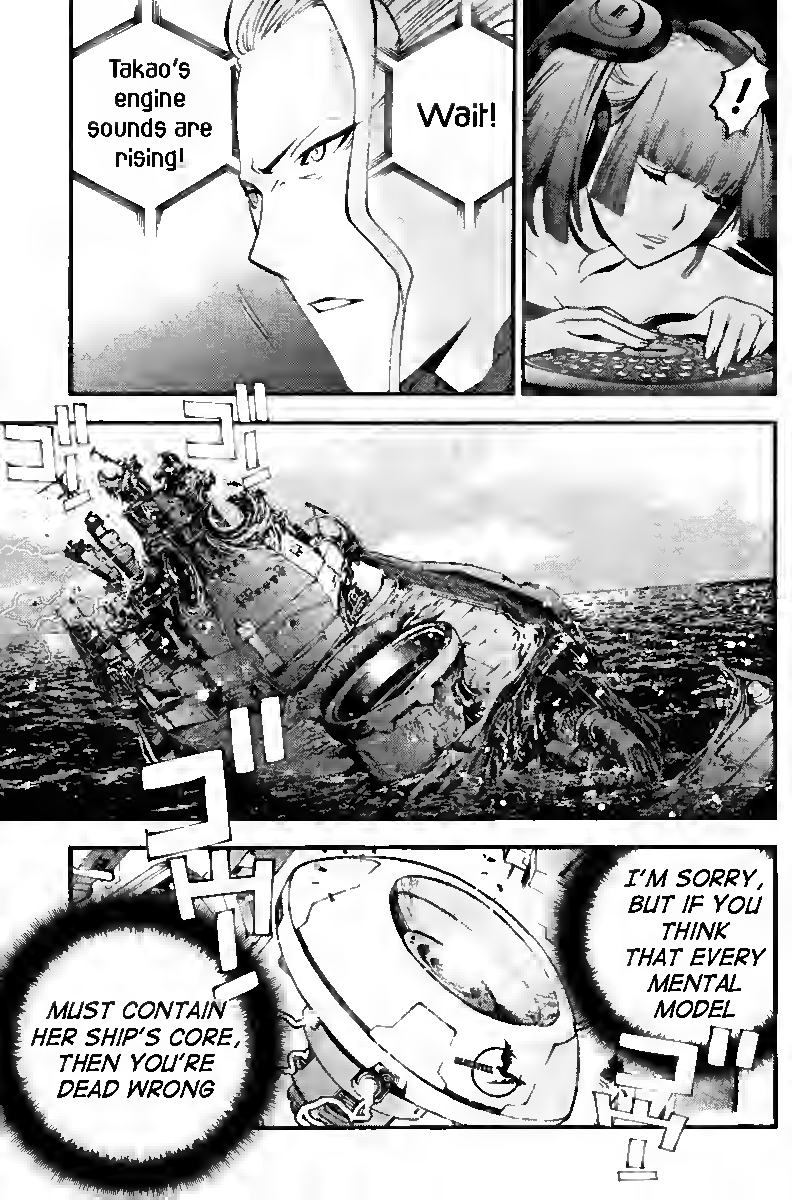
THE RESUPPLY VESSEL
"MILCHKUH"
ALSO, CAPTAIN ZORDAN DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT OUR NEW SUPER GRAVITON CANNONS
EXACTLY. SHE CAN'T BE MOVED DURING THE BATTLE
HE WOULDN'T EXPECT THAT THE RESUPPLY VESSEL COULD GET SNIPED FROM FAR AWAY

IF HE'S BEEN TAUGHT TO THINK THE SAME WAY AS ME,
THEN HE'D PRIORITIZE EFFICIENCY WHEN PLACING THE RESUPPLY VESSEL
DETECT-ING A HUGE SPATIAL SHOCK-WAVE
IT WAS MADE BY CORROSIVE TORPE-DOES
LET'S GO!
AYE AYE



WE TOOK MORE DAMAGE THAN I EXPECTED
...LOOKS LIKE


click


Takao's engine sounds are rising!
Wait!
!
MUST CONTAIN HER SHIP'S CORE, THEN YOU'RE DEAD WRONG
I'M SORRY, BUT IF YOU THINK THAT EVERY MENTAL MODEL

YOU MAY HAVE ANALYZED MY DATA MATRIX,
BUT EVEN THAT'S EASY ENOUGH TO FAKE WITH MY LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE

EVASIVE ACTION! FULL SPEED AHEAD!
MAXI-MUM DOWN-TRIM!
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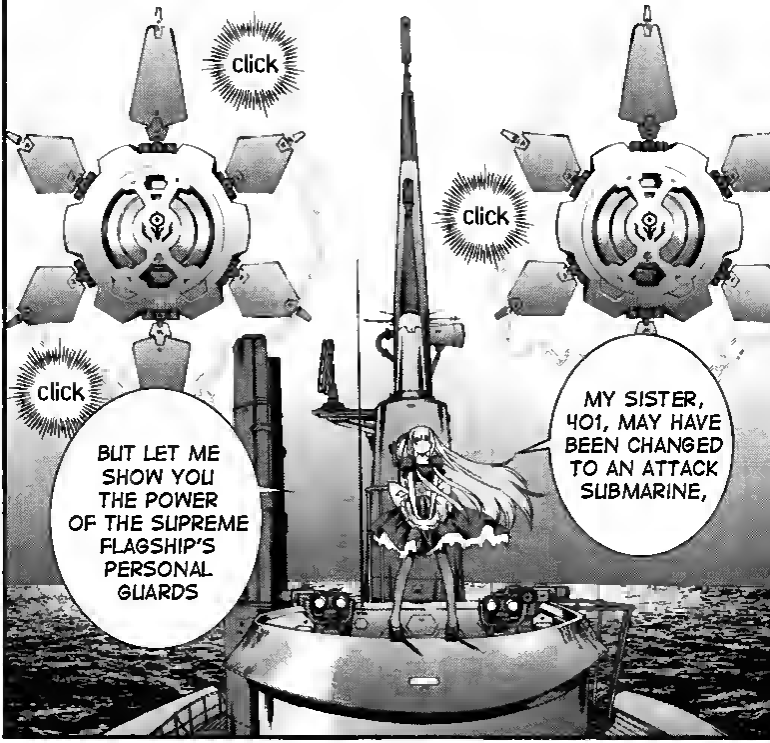
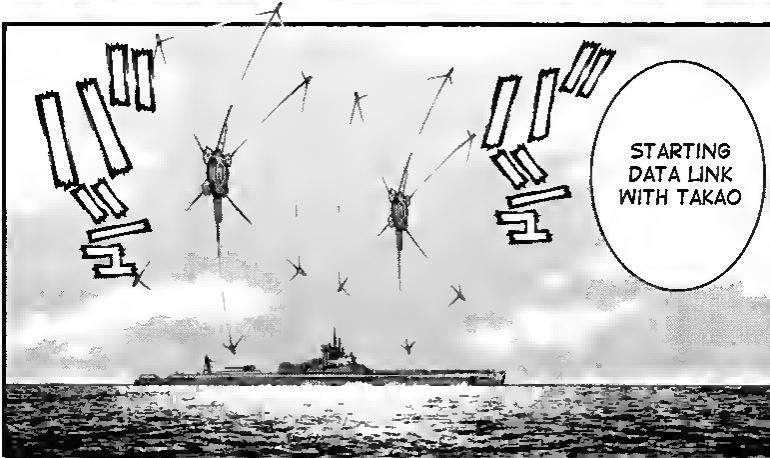
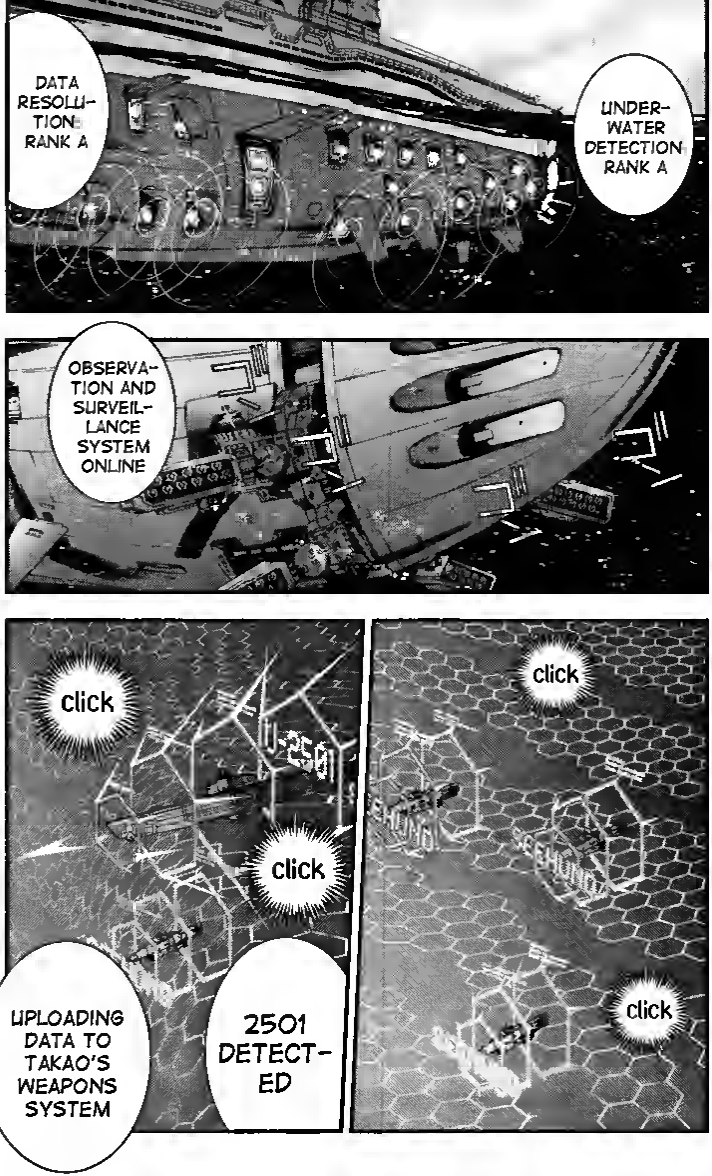
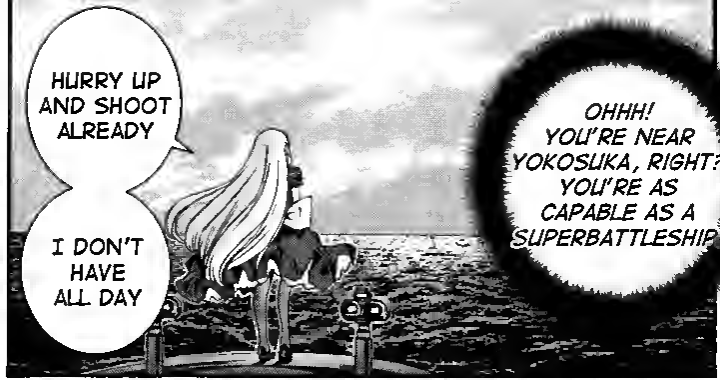
WHERE'S 2501?
SINCE I'M REPAIRING MY ENERGY SYSTEMS, I CAN'T REPAIR MY SENSORS
OH... OOPS
YOU'RE SUCH A PAIN, YOU KNOW THAT..

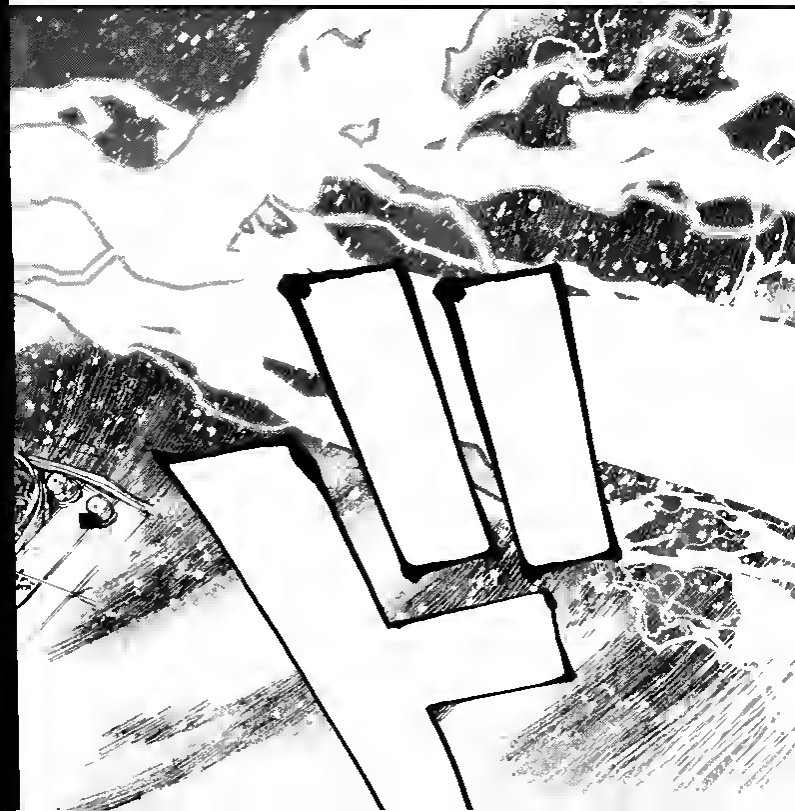

click
click
click
BUT LET ME SHOW YOU THE POWER OF THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP'S PERSONAL GUARDS
MY SISTER, 401, MAY HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO AN ATTACK SUBMARINE,


STARTING DATA LINK WITH TAKAO


DATA RESOLUTION: RANK A
UNDERWATER DETECTION RANK A
OBSERVATION AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM ONLINE
click
click
click
click
2501
2501 DETECTED
UPLOADING DATA TO TAKAO'S WEAPONS SYSTEM

TIME FOR YOU TO SINK!
ALL RIGHT!


HURRY UP AND SHOOT ALREADY
I DON'T HAVE ALL DAY
OHHH! YOU'RE NEAR YOKOSUKA, RIGHT? YOU'RE AS CAPABLE AS A SUPERBATTLESHIP!



WHAT'S ...THAT!?
!!
click
THIS IS...
click

THE MIRROR-RING SYSTEM...

YOU'RE MAKING ME HATE MYSELF
HEAVY CRUISER TAKAO... YOU'VE FAR EXCEED MY EXPECTATIONS
I DIDN'T THINK... THAT I WOULD BE FORCE TO SHOW SO MUCH
THIS IS BAD, TAKAO! ABANDON SHIP WITH YOU CORE!
WHAT IN THE WORLD IS THAT!?
I'LL PICK YOU UP AFTERWARD! QUICK, JUMP!

HE'S CAPTURED THE ENERGY OF YOUR CANNON AND IS ABOUT TO RELEASE IT IN A DIFFERENT DIMENSION
YOU'LL BE HELPLESS AGAINST THE SHOCK-WAVE!

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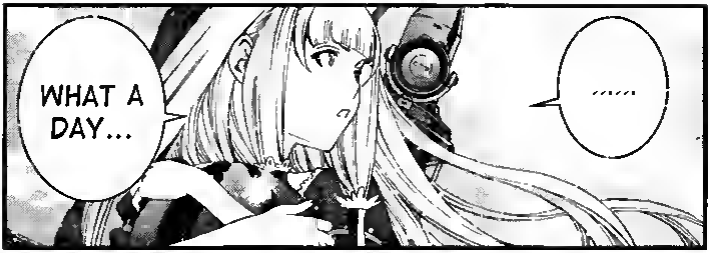
WHY ARE YOU HOLDING ON TO YOUR MENTAL MODEL!?
YOU NEED TO COMPLETELY SUSPEND YOUR CORE OR ELSE HE'LL FIND YOU!

BUT THIS...
THIS IS...

MY...
STEEL

WE'RE GONNA NEED AN OVERHAUL WHEN WE GET BACK HOME
THE MIRROR-RING SYSTEM IS DOWN
I KNOW
.....
Detecting a huge graviton wave!
Th- This is massive!
ROMUALD! SHOOT EVERYTHING WE HAVE AT THE MENTAL MODEL!
Detecting Takao's data matrix again. We have the Mental Model's position
DATA INPUT COMPLETE


WHAT A DAY...
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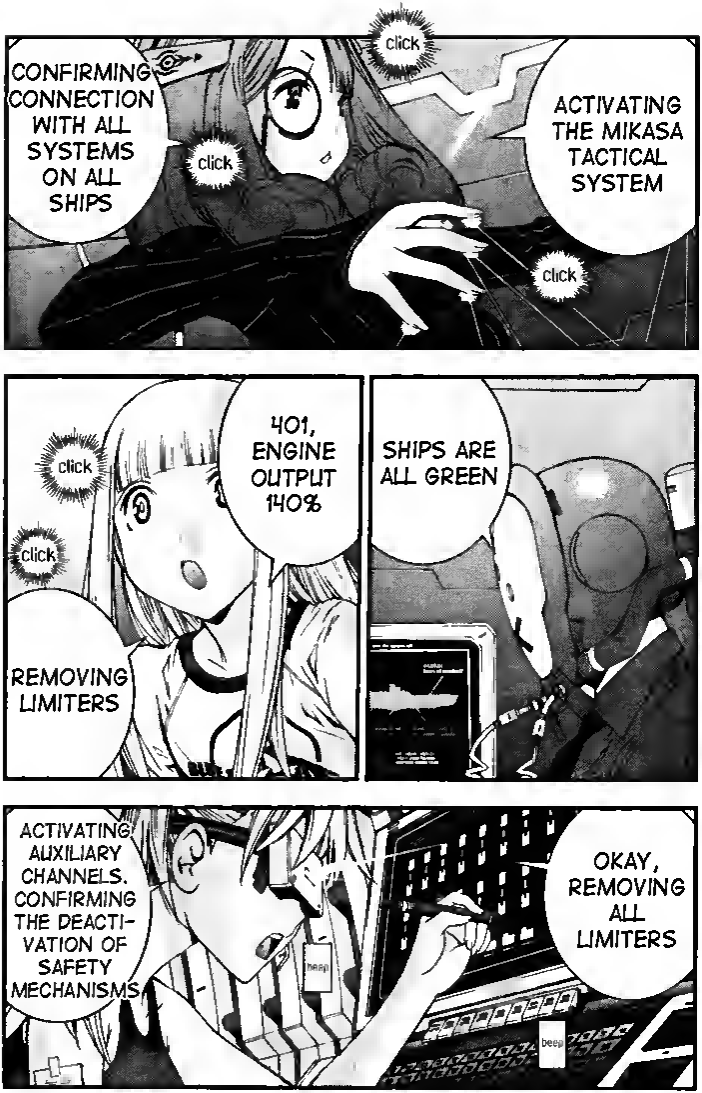
I FEEL SORRY FOR THE EARTH

THE SUPER GRAVITON CANNON SHIPS ARE UNDER MY CONTROL
click
MOVING THEM INTO POSITION
click
click
MOVE THE NEW SUPER GRAVITON CANNONS INTO POSITION!
CONNECTING TO THE SUPER GRAVITON CANNON SHIPS
click
click
ACTIVATING SHIPS


CONFIRMING CONNECTION WITH ALL SYSTEMS ON ALL SHIPS
click
click
ACTIVATING THE MIKASA TACTICAL SYSTEM
click
click
401, ENGINE OUTPUT 140%
click
REMOVING LIMITERS
SHIPS ARE ALL GREEN
ACTIVATING AUXILIARY CHANNELS. CONFIRMING THE DEACTIVATION OF SAFETY MECHANISMS
beep
OKAY, REMOVING ALL LIMITERS
beep

401 AUXILIARY SUPER GRAVITON CANNON SHIPS
BLUE STEEL
♣ Takao risked her life to create a chance for victory. Now, the new power of Blue Steel will be put into use!!
SGCS-01 ITSUKUSHIMA AND SGCS-02 HASHIDATE, GO!
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